

Intellectual Property Department  
700 North Highway 45  
Libertyville, IL 60048-1296  
Phone: (847) 970-5200  
Fax: (312) 214-1486

**USG Corporation****Fax**

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER  
NOV 16 2007

**To:** U.S. Patent & Trademark Office**From:** Judith A. Powers

Mail Stop RCE

**Fax:** 571 273 8300**Date:** November 16, 2007**Phone:****Pages:** 8 incl this cover page**Re:** Amendment and Response to Final**CC:**

Rejection

☐ **Urgent**☐ **For Review**☐ **Please Comment**☐ **Please Reply**☐ **Please Recycle**

*(If you do not receive all pages, please call (847) 970-5025 immediately and ask for Judy Powers)*

**•Comments:****Attached:**

Transmittal Form # PTO/SB/21;

Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal Form # PTO/SB/30; and

Amendment and Response to Final Rejection Dated July 27, 2006 and the Examiner's Answer Mailed October 2, 2007

8416

## \*\*\*\*\*CONFIDENTIALITY NOTE\*\*\*\*\*

The documents accompanying this facsimile transmission contain information that may be confidential or privileged and exempt from disclosure under applicable law. The information is intended to be for the use of the individual or entity named on this transmission sheet. If you are not the intended recipient, be aware that any disclosure, copying, distribution or use of the contents of this information is without authorization and is prohibited. If you have received this facsimile in error, please notify us by collect telephone immediately so that we can arrange for the retrieval of the original documents at no cost to you.

PTO/SB/21 (11-07)

Approved for use through 11/30/2007. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

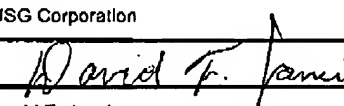
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b>  (to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)	Application Number	10/789,000
	Filing Date	February 26, 2004
	First Named Inventor	Thomas M. Mayers
	Art Unit	1772
	Examiner Name	Alicia Chevalier
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	Attorney Docket Number	3608

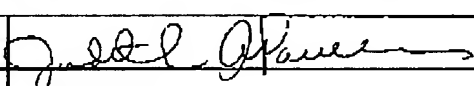
RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER  
NOV 16 2007

ENCLOSURES (Check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form	<input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to TC
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment/Reply	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition	<input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to TC (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> After Final	<input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information
<input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation	<input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter
<input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Change of Correspondence Address	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below):
<input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request	<input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer	
<input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement	<input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund	
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts/Incomplete Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Table on CD	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reply to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	Remarks	

## SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm Name	USG Corporation		
Signature			
Printed name	David F. Janci		
Date	11-15-07	Reg. No.	28,820

## CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION/MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO or deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date shown below:	
Signature	
Typed or printed name	Judith A. Powers
Date	11-16-07

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.5. The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 36 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to 2 hours to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.